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2. On 1 November, about 80 percent of the windows of the Hermann Goering Kaserne (1302) in Dresden were lit at dusk. The installation was occupied by soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Approximately 40 trucks were seen in the yard. Air targets on poles were seen in the area west of the road to Klotzsche. Motor vehicles were also seen.
3. Between 26 October and 6 November, the Nachrichten Schule (1521) in Koenigsbrueck was occupied by approximately 250 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. The number of tanks had decreased and little training was observed. Armored personnel carriers were no longer seen. On three days of observation, two T-34 tanks left the installation, went toward Die Aue at 0700 and returned at about 1800. There was no activity in Altes and Neues Lager (1523). It was rumored that elements from the Nachrichten Schule had been transferred to Haldensleben.
4. Loadings at the Koenigsbrueck railroad station included:
1 November. Approximately 12 medium guns and 6 trucks, which left toward Dresden at 0615.
4 November. Forty-four [redacted] which may have left toward Brest-Litovsk.
5. Between 21 October and 1 November, the following observations were made in the Zeithain-Riesa area:
21 October. At 1400, a train of 35 cars with [redacted] black-bordered red epaulets left Riesa and went toward [redacted].
22 October. At 1430, 8 to 10 trucks, each occupied by 22 to 25 officers, left Riesa for Camp Zeithain.

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6. On 19 October and 2 November, the Panzer Kaserne (1161) in Borna was occupied by an estimated 800 to 1,000 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets including some with tank insignia. Five tanks, probably T-34/85 tanks, were seen in the installation. [redacted]

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